

LAND FOR CHOCTAW AND CHICKASAW SANITORIUM,  
TALIHINA, OKLA.

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DECEMBER 17, 1920.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered to be printed.

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Mr. CARTER, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, submitted the following

REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 12157.]

Under the act of June 30, 1913, there were four sections of land set aside for a Choctaw and Chickasaw sanatorium near Telihina, Okla. It is now discovered that all the land thus set aside is not needed for the purpose contemplated and that it is advisable to sell a portion of it to the State of Oklahoma, as provided in this bill.

Your committee recommends that the bill be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 13, after the word "used," strike out the words "nor may be" and insert in lieu thereof the word "or."

Attached hereto is a favorable report on this proposed legislation by the Secretary of the Interior, indorsing the enactment of the bill, as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
*Washington, July 15, 1920.*

MY DEAR MR. SNYDER: Under date of April 5 I submitted to your committee an unfavorable report on a bill (H. R. 12157), introduced by the Hon. Charles Carter of Oklahoma to amend an act of Congress approved June 30, 1913, setting aside certain lands belonging to the Choctaw-Chickasaw Indians of Oklahoma for sanatorium purposes, being under the impression at the time that most of the Indians interested opposed the proposed sale.

Recent information indicates that the site the bill proposes to sell to the State of Oklahoma is regarded as surplus land that is in no way necessary to the future needs of the sanatorium and that a State institution for the treatment of tuberculosis situated nearby would be a help rather than a detriment to the Indian sanatorium. It further appears that a water supply ample to meet the needs of this institution is guaranteed, the assurance of which, together with the receipt of later advices that a number of the more prominent Choctaws favor the sale, leads me now to give the bill providing for the sale, my approval.

Cordially, yours,

S. G. HOPKINS,  
*Acting Secretary.*

HON. HOMER P. SNYDER,  
*Chairman Indian Committee,  
House of Representatives.*

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